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GRATING DEVICE, DIFFRACTION GRATING  
DEVICE, AND ILLUMINATION OPTICAL  
SYSTEM  
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**PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME**

Applicant hereby petitions that the period for response to the Office Action, dated June 20, 2003, be extended for one mo. to October 20, 2003.

A response to the Office Action, dated June 20, 2003, is filed concurrently herewith.

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A Response Transmittal and Fee Authorization for the one month extension fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(a) is submitted herewith. In the event that the Response Transmittal and Fee Authorization is not present, is not sufficient, or is not acceptable, please charge any fee (other than issue fee) required during the pendency of this U.S. patent application to Sidley Austin Brown & Wood LLP's Deposit Account No. 18-1260.

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